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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP04/14513	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE December 15, 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED December 18, 2003
TITLE OF INVENTION Welding Device		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Gerhard Lechler		
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